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**Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy
Interim Executive Officer's Report
January 19, 2011**

Conservancy Staffing Update

- State Hiring Freeze:
Executive Officer – exemption request update, letter to Governor-Elect Brown
Staff Environmental Scientist – plan for filling position
- Volunteer Update:
Worker Compensation policy now includes Board resolution, coverage for Member Eaton and first staff volunteer
Conservancy's 1st staff volunteer onboard – Betsy Taloff

Conservancy Correspondence (Attachment)

- DC letter to Governor-Elect Brown regarding Conservancy's Executive Officer position
- DC letter to Delta Stewardship Council regarding Conservancy's involvement in January scoping meetings for draft Delta Plan and NOP/EIR
- Central Valley Flood Protection Board letter to Delta Stewardship Council regarding CVFPB's participation and input for the Delta Plan (DC Board members cc'd)

Conservancy Headquarters Search (Attachment)

- A total of 8 facilities were toured
- Negotiations are in place for 2945 Ramco Drive, West Sacramento
- The office space is fully furnished and building has good IT infrastructure, both elements provide substantial savings for the Conservancy
- Current baseline budget for the Conservancy will limit ability to initially include a large conference room on site at the new facility
- Conservancy staff and DGS staff will meet with Resources Agency's Chief Information Officer on January 10 to discuss IT needs for Conservancy to assist in cost estimates for the facilities and the actual move
- Next steps include final negotiations with building owner and developing contracts for a lease, IT support, movers and telecommunication needs

Conservancy Contracts (Action Item)

- Interagency agreement with DOJ for \$100,000 for legal services. Contract for FYs 2010-11 and 2011-12. Currently under review by DOJ and DGS, expected start date is early January.

- Interagency agreement with Delta Stewardship Council for \$150,000 for strategic plan development. Contract will be for FYs 2010-11 and 2011-12. Seeking Board approval for expanded delegated authority for Interim Executive Officer to sign contract. (Action Item)

Update on Early Identification of Future Funding Sources (Attachment)

Staff continues to identify additional potential funding sources for the Delta Conservancy, these resources are identified on the attached table. No applications for grants have been submitted to date.

Delta Planning Efforts (Attachment)

Board members and staff continue to participate in various Delta-related efforts. The attached table summarizes most recent events and lists key dates for January meetings, presentations other forum.